

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following is checked:

[X] was filed on January 29, 2001, as Application Serial No. 09/744,698.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

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365(a),(b):			Priority Claimed	

Prior Foreign PCT International Application(s) and any priority claims under 35 U.S.C. §§119 and

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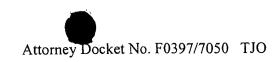
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